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SUBJ: CSCE: CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES -- SOVIET COMMENTS

GENEVA FOR USDEL CSCE

1. AT OCTOBER 8 POLADS, FRG REP REPORTED THAT DURING SEPTEMBER VISIT TO SWITZERLAND, SWEDEN, AND AUSTRIA, SENIOR SOVIET OFFICIALS KOVALEV AND MENDELEVICH EXPOUNDED WELL-KNOWN SOVIET VIEWS ON CSCE. KOVALEV AND MENDELEVICH REPORTEDLY EMPHASIZED CBMS, MAINTAINING THAT USSR HAD TAKEN REASONABLE POSITION AND WAS NOT DISPOSED TO MODIFY IT. SOVIET OFFICIALS TOOK LINE THAT A LARGE COUNTRY SUCH AS USSR WITH TROOPS CONSTANTLY IN MOTION COULD NOT NOTIFY TROOP MOVEMENTS IN ADVANCE, AND SUGGESTED THAT COUNTRIES DESIRING TO GIVE NOTIFICATION OF TROOP MOVEMENTS COULD DO SO ON A BILATERAL BASIS.
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2. ITALIAN REP COMMENTED THAT AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER HAD GIVEN ITALIAN AMBASSADOR IN VIENNA A SIMILAR ACCOUNT OF KOVALEV-MENDELEVICH VISIT. AUSTRIAN FOREIGN MINISTER REPORTEDLY GOT IMPRESSION HOWEVER THAT MENDELEVICH

PERSONALLY DID NOT HAVE MUCH FAITH IN WHAT HE WAS SAYING
ON CSCE. ACCORDING TO ITALIAN REPORT, AUSTRIANS TOOK FIRM
LINE DURING TALKS WITH SOVIET AND STILL HOPE TO OBTAIN
RESULTS ON CBMS AND BASKET III.MCAULIFFE

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